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To: All Employees

From: DSD, Support Services Division

Subject: Federal Dental and Vision Insurance Program (FEDVIP) Open Season

The new Program's first open season will be held from **November 13 through December 11, 2006.** Eligible employees will be able to enroll in FEDVIP during open season.

FEDVIP and the Federal Employees Health Benefit (FEHB) Program are entirely separate programs. Some FEHB plans will continue to offer coverage of some dental and vision services. FEDVIP provides supplemental dental and vision insurance coverage. Some carriers participate in both FEHB and FEDVIP.

Eligible employees can choose to enroll in FEHB only, FEDVIP only, both, or neither. They can also choose different enrollment types for each program – enrolling, for example, in Self and Family coverage under FEHB, but Self Only coverage under FEDVIP.

Within FEDVIP, dental insurance plans and vision insurance plans operate completely independently of one another. That means that eligible employees can enroll for dental insurance only, vision insurance only, both or neither. If they are enrolled in both, they can choose different enrollment types for each.



Please see Attachment 1 for enrollment information. You are also encouraged to visit OPM's website: www.opm.gov/insure/dentalvision. Questions regarding the FEDVIP open season should be addressed to Angie Dailly, Branch of Human Resources at (916) 978-4476.

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